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☞ Important financial schemes are being discussed between the House Committee on Ways and Means and a delegation of New York bankers. See our Washington dispatches.

☞ The Senate did a good thing yesterday, when it struck from the rolls the names of the two Missouri Senators—Polk and Johnson—and prepared the way for better men to come in. Both the old Senators are now with the Confederates, and not even Mr. Bayard had any objections to make to their expulsion.

PORT ROYAL SHERMAN.

It appears that Com. Dupont is thoroughly disgusted with the inaction of his associate, Sherman, of the land service, and has not only censured him for his bad conduct, but has taken the matter into his own hands, in so far as to send 3,500 of his marines up to assist Gen. Stevens, who holds the advance position. Sherman is a miserable failure; besides, he's a dyspeptic. He has no appetite for war upon so "generous and hospitable people." When shall we be fairly relieved of him? If he were a volunteer officer, he would have been ordered home in disgrace long ago. Being a West Pointer, and the especial protege of McClellan, we suppose he must be endured until a change takes place nearer the throne. After all, he has done as much as the army on the Potomac.

THE CAIRO EXPEDITION.

"All aboard," is the word at Cairo, and the expedition so long promised will be off to-day, wind and weather permitting. It will rendezvous at Paducah, and there proceed, it is said, up the Tennessee River some sixty-five miles to Fort Henry, on the State line, a rebel work mounting some dozen guns of large caliber. At this point they are about equal distant from Nashville and Memphis, and within striking distance of either. Proceeding a few miles further south, they hold the communication between the two cities. If Gen. Buell should at the same time advance on Bowling Green and Nashville, the capital of Tennessee will fall easily into our hands. The magnitude of the preparations at Cairo has been but partially realized by the public. There will be some sixty boats, carrying guns or troops, and at least 35,000 men, under Generals Grant, Smith, Wallace and McClernand, Gen. Grant being the senior officer in command. It will astonish the Columbus rebels somewhat to have the position turned upon them so completely. There are no fortifications along the Tennessee river within the limits of Kentucky—that is to say there were none when the reconnoissance was made some days since. But whether there are or not, the gunboats will attend to that. It is stated that the column sent forward from Benton Barracks to Cairo, to join in the expedition or take the place of those troops that leave, has been delayed on the river, and will not arrive before this morning. A St. Louis dispatch has denied that had left at all, but this must be an error.

GEN. SIGEL'S RESIGNATION.

Our St. Louis dispatches give us the reasons assigned by Gen. Sigel for his resignation. We can but hope they are such as may be obviated, and, that this gallant officer may again join the service. Is he not gallant? Everybody thought so when on July he executed his masterly retreat from an enemy outnumbering him ten to one, in sharp artillery fight, one of the most brilliant records of the war. Everybody was delighted, and the satisfaction of Sigel's own countrymen passed into a proverb, "*Yes fights wit Sigel* den you wants wit me." True there was a heavy rebuke from Gen. Sturgiss, and we regret for the sake of both officers, that the charge was not investigated, for while the censure is always related upon Sigel, a still worse imputation has never been removed from Gen. Sturgiss himself, for it is not complimentary to believe that Brigadier Generals are the petty jealousies and meannesses of other mortals.

Nevertheless, Gen. Sigel won his stars at Carthage. Since that time, he has either been the best abused officer in Missouri, or the most unworthy, for he has been snubbed, set aside, crowded out of sight, kept on anything glorious, robbed of his command, and placed in such a position that self-respect has finally induced him to resign. The matter needs investigation. We cannot spare from the service such officers as the country believes Gen. Sigel to be. It is a heavy price to pay for some of the officers that we have in service, if we can only keep them by allowing them to carry out their petty personal spites and rivalries. It looks as if Sigel had suffered in this way. He is needed in Missouri, and the War Department should see him restored at any cost, unless he has been greatly overrated, and we give his enemies Missouri the benefit of a doubt we do ourselves feel.

Gen. Dunning's Victory near Romney.

The scene of the late victory near Romney, a portion of Gen. Kelly's command under Gen. Dunning of the 5th Ohio, was "Blue Creek," a gorge in the mountains fifteen miles south of Romney, on the Winchester road. It is a strong natural position, and had been in rendezvous of rebels in those parts for the two months. There were about 2,000 rebels "at the Gap at the time. The victory opens the road to Winchester, and removes last obstacles to an advance from Romney. It shall meet Gen. Lander's advance from Hancock's Bridge half way. It was expected at Romney that Gen. Rosecrans, on his return to Washington, would take command in person, and lead the troops forward. Gen. Kelly's health is very poor.

Michigan State Lands.

Commissioner Lacey of the Michigan State Land Office, in his report to the Legislature, says that 15,724 acres were sold last year, bringing the sum of $173,000, which is divided among the funds of the Primary School, Normal School, University, Asylum, etc. The sales were less than in former years, and in many cases for only part payment in cash, owing to our national and financial troubles. The number of acres licensed to settlers, during the year, is 36,187. The State is still entitled to select 46,725 acres of Government lands, to supply a deficiency, of which 20,480 acres lie in the lower peninsula, and 26,005 on the Lake Superior country.

Disloyal Chamber of Commerce.

St. Louis is not alone in having a disloyal Chamber of Commerce. The Baltimore Exchange has elected a successful Board of Directors, among whom is Henry M. Warfield, late President, but now a prisoner of state in Fort Lafayette. The Directors will re-elect Warfield President.

Chicago is still in the St. Louis Chamber, owing to the triumph of the traitors, is not likely to be relieved of the new board of officers (secesh), which it is rumored they will do. The new Assistant Adjutant General of Illinois, John S. Herring & Woodruff. The President of the new (loyal) Chamber is Henry J. Moore.

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The New Army Regiments.

It will be remembered that in July last eleven new regiments for the army were blocked out by the government, and the recruiting commenced by a fusion of officers scattered through the States. The business dragged slowly, and of the 35,000 men contemplated for these regiments only 7,000 have thus far been enlisted. Indeed, the Government, tired of waiting, has sent most of the skeleton regiments into the field as battalions. Adjutant Gen. Thomas, in reply to a resolution of the House, made the following statement of the condition of these regiments on the 1st of January:

Engineers	197
Topographical engineers	1
Cavalry (8th regiment)	700
Artillery (5th regiment)	700
Infantry—11th to 20th inclusive	5,800
Total	7,398

The condition of the infantry regiments is as follows, in detail:

11th regiment, recruited at Boston	320
12th regiment, at New York	1,000
13th regiment, at St. Louis	740
14th regiment, at New Haven, Ct.	1,000
15th regiment, at Wheeling, Va.	1,000
16th regiment, at Chicago	1,000
17th regiment, at Newport, R. I.	1,000
18th regiment, at Columbus, Ohio	1,000
19th regiment, at Indianapolis	972

Disastrous Fires at the East.

The extensive chair factory of Levi Heywood & Co., in Gardner, was totally destroyed by fire on Sunday night, together with nearly all the immense stock on hand. The loss is estimated at $75,000 to $100,000, on which there is $30,000 insurance. The Union block on Central Square, Dover, N. H., was burned last Monday; twelve stores, saloons, etc., were burned out, and the fire was the most extensive that has occurred in the city for several years.

☞ Col. Henry Dougherty, who was so badly wounded at Belmont, is at the house of his uncle, Col. John Dougherty, at Jonesboro, where he is tenderly cared for. His leg was amputated *three times* by the rebels, yet so bunglingly that it will have to be again dressed. He is having a patent leg made, and will still command his regiment. His men say they will have no other Colonel.

☞ The Wheeling correspondent of the Columbus (Ohio) *Journal* writes that the affair at Sutton was disgraceful to the commissariat there to take care of our poor, suffering sick. The captain having command of Sutton was absent at the time of the attack; and like hundreds of other cases of a like nature, when soldiers are without a competent commander, the number of the enemy was about quadrupled, and our boys made an inglorious retreat. It has been ascertained that there were only 135 "peaceable citizens," and that this gentleman arrived here with an immense number of trunks, traveling bags, bales, &c., which General Cox, very properly, ordered the Provost Marshal, Captain Ekvil to detain for future inspection.

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Sarah B. Andrews, widow of Col. Lorin Andrews, 4th regiment Ohio volunteers, has been granted a pension of $40 per month for five years.

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The Canadians Do Not Sympathize with the South.

[From the Toronto Globe, 6th inst.]

The *Leader* has been compelled to acknowledge its error in the following to entire bad feeling between Canada and the United States. Public indignation has been manifested against it in a manner which the publisher knows how to appreciate, and we apologize for his mistake. *Leader*, and we apologize for his mistake have been inserted. The accusation takes the form of a distinct charge in the leaded type that the Canadian Government are responsible for the organ's leniency to the Southern cause. The Government are undoubtedly hoped at first to make political capital by raising the war feeling, but the plan seems to have overreached itself; the cloven foot was seen; the mischief to the Republic mind is complete; and hence the diatribe of the *Leader*. The organ of the Quebec *Chronicle*, has also changed its note. A few weeks ago it even sympathized the British Government to break the blockade; now it says:

"It is purely for the interest of the States, as well as of Canada and England, that the Union be kept in unity. We are nearly three millions of Britons on this continent, and if the North Union is to be permanently divided into two or more confederacies, it may happen that each of these will think it necessary to have a navy of its own. If it is to be resulted, it would surely be better that the population on both sides of the boundary should continue to be friends—assisting each other in the development of their natural resources—encouraging and fostering reciprocal trade—and breaking down yet further the barrier to mutually profitable intercourse. We hope, then, that the Administration of the States, which now controls the press, may see in the fact that secession is practically dead, and that the leading American journals, or else make such a declaration of their sentiments towards this country as will counteract the evil effects that have already been produced by licentiously abusive language."

This is excessively cool. The *Chronicle*, although a recognized, well paid organ of the Government, was quite as rabaire of the United States as the New York *Herald* has been of England. Yet it now calls on the American Administration to restrain "licentiously abusive newspapers!"

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Reply of Secretary Cameron to the Demands of the House.

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FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

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On November 7th, the pirate Sumter was in the harbor of St. Pierre, Martinique, blockaded by the Iroquois.

The Count de Paris and Duc de Chartres have not resigned, as stated, but are East on ten days' leave of absence.

Emerson Etheridge's father having recently died in Tennessee, he has gone to Kentucky to recover the remains.

A committee of New York bankers before the Committee of Ways and Means, this morning, proposed a new scheme providing for the appointment of a Board of Exchequer, to consist of five commissioners appointed by the President, one of whom shall be Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York—his office to be in that city, with agencies elsewhere—whose duties are to collect all Government debts and revenue, negotiate all loans authorized by Congress, attend to transfers and payment of public debt, and discharge all duties; the Treasurer at New York appointing subordinate officers and agents, subject to the approval of the Secrtary of the Treasury. As a basis for a national currency, the Secretary of the Treasury is to issue and deliver to the Board six per cent. stock of the United States, in thousand dollar certificates, redeemable twenty years from date; on receipt of which the Board shall deliver to the Secretary eighty per cent. of the amount in exchequer bills, payable in corn on demand to bearer, and after July, 1863, receivable in payment of dues to the Government, or in the purchase of convertible stock. The Board is also to issue in exchange for gold and silver and receive on deposit their exchequer bills; shall transfer their funds as directed; shall not engage in banking or loaning money; shall with its funds procure an amount in gold coin equal to six months' interest on the whole United States debt, and pay the same. Other sections of the bill suggested provide for carrying a scheme of national currency similar to that of Chase into effect through the agency of the Exchequer Board.

A bill will soon be reported by the Ways and Means Committee for the establishment of a branch mint at Denver City.

The Committee are still at work on the tariff and tax bills. They have agreed to impose a quarter of a cent per mile on railway travelers. Some are for making drovers do their own report any of these important measures until after any manifests an intention to do something.

Fremont read an elaborate paper in vindication of his Missouri campaign to the Joint Committee on the Conduct of the War, today.

The Quartermaster General went to-day into his winter buildings—the Adjutant General to occupy his old room in the War Department.

McClellan will make a grand advance into Kentucky.

Banker Smithson, just arrested here, is a native of Lynchburg, Va., and has lived here since 1854. He always voted for men with Southern proclivities. The proof against him is that a rebel mail-bag recently seized on its way across the Lower Potomac, a letter to a rebel General was found, containing an account of the condition and number of the Union army of the Potomac, the plans of fortifications, and a scheme for capturing Washington. A fictitious signature was attached, but it is known to be Smithson's.

The Medical Board of the army, appointed to examine the typhoid question, say that the prevailing disease is malarious in its origin, and assumes the typhoidal type.

Gen. Reynolds's resignation is purely for private family reasons.

FROM CAIRO.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CAIRO, January 10.

The greater portion of the troops have already been embarked. The whole expedition, owing to its great numbers, will not be under way before to-morrow.

Gens. McClernand and Paine will be in immediate command of the forces from here and Bird's Point. Gens. Smith and Wallace will command those from Paducah.

Gen. Grant and staff leave here in a few hours. Captain Ed. Osband's company of the Fourth Illinois cavalry, will form his body guard.

There is a sharp wind stirring with a tendency to freeze the ground.

The Memphis *Appeal* of the 5th and 7th is received here. The Brownville (Texas) *Flag*, of the 12th ult., contains intelligence of the 22nd day of the seige, as follows: "The drums had continued as it commenced. Cannon and small arms by day with a change of scene by the burning of buildings at night. We have no account of the killed and wounded, as the hospital has been removed to the other side of the river."

From the Atlantic coast the Memphis *Appeal* has the following: "ATLANTA, Jan. 5.—The Charleston *Mercury* of this morning says the enemy were repulsed by the bayonet and run in Bull Run style, leaving guns and knapsacks on the field. Four dead and many wounded were taken off the field. The pursued says the Federals were advancing yesterday. Heavy skirmishing continues.

The *Mercury* announces the arrival of the steamer Ella Waverly, from Nassau. She was pursued by the blockaders, but succeeded in escaping. She brought nine passengers, including T. D. Ritzie of Norfolk, Confederate bearer of dispatches, and also a valuable cargo.

NEW ORLEANS, January 2.—Gen. Lovell has received the following dispatch:

HENDERSON, Jan. 1.—The enemy came near Biloxie, yesterday morning. Two United States officers with sixty men landed and demanded of Captain Burnell commanding, to surrender any property of the United States, together with the munitions of the Confederacy, if such there might be, giving Forrell one hour to decide. Forrell surrendered, and the U. S. Commissary took 9 cannon. They said Butler and his command were at Ship Island. Island Billoxie was considered in the hands of the Federals, and they were momentarily expected to occupy it.

The Federal prisoners confined in the Charleston jail are to be transferred to jail at Columbia, South Carolina.

No official report of the affair near Charleston, yesterday, has yet been received at headquarters here. I learn that two of our wounded have since died.

$600 worth of contraband quinine was captured two days ago on the steamer Courier. It was concealed between the linings of a carpet sack.

Since writing the above the fog has commenced to rise.

The forces from St. Louis, which have been detained on the river in consequence of a steamer blocking up the channel, will arrive in the morning. Gen. Grant and staff will await their arrival.

FROM ST. LOUIS.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

ST. LOUIS, January 10, 1862.

The North Missouri railroad trains now leave here regularly, but do not make time, owing to the difficulty of getting water for their engines. There are no tanks between Hudson and Mexico, but a few days will remedy this. The big bridge at Mexico is nearly completed. It is trestled, whereas the old one was a Howe's truss bridge. There are no more troops along the road now than before the burning, though Federal troops are scouring Boone, Howard and Calloway counties constantly. No negroes or secesh property were impressed into the service in repairing the road.

Several river pilots and steamboatmen left here for Cairo, to-day, expecting employment on transports.

A few Southern papers, as late as Dec. 28, were received to-day from Ironton, where they arrived by a flag of truce.

The split between the Secession and Union merchants on the Chamber of Commerce question is complete. The Union Exchange was organized to-day. One hundred and twenty members joined, and paid up their subscriptions.

A letter from Lebanon, dated Tuesday, says Major Wright holds that town with 300 men Carr had gone back to the Gasconade, causing great surprise at Lebanon. Several rebel prisoners had been captured.

The revised list of assessments on the "secesh" has been made out, and new notices are being served on all the parties by the Provost Guard Police.

A war claim agent who had an office on Washington avenue, decamped last night, with several vouchers belonging to teamsters and others.

No troops have left here for Cairo, as announced by telegraph from that place.

In consequence of the line being down I could not send you the following last evening:

A well informed gentleman who left Rolla, this morning, had an interview recently with Gen. Sigel, who complained that he had been hurried by Gen. Halleck from a sick bed to take command at Rolla, and that only three days after his arrival Gen. Curtis arrived, and ordered by a message from Halleck, without consulting Sigel, or giving him (Sigel) notice, assumed command. Gen. Sigel says that he has resigned out of a sense of justice to himself, but is anxious to serve his adopted country, and if the troops were ordered to march to-day, he would march with them.

He further says that out of six regiments raised in his name, by his friends, only four hundred men are left to his command. He hopes an arrangement will be made by which he may honorably return to service. All the troops at Rolla are ready to move at a moment's notice.

At St. Charles, Mo., a few nights ago, a *bona fide* bet of one thousand dollars, money put up, was made between a secesh and a Union man, that Price would have possession of that place before New Year's day. The money was paid to the winner (Unionist) on Thursday last.

The old Chamber of Commerce have appointed a committee to wait upon the secceded Union members for a reconciliation.

THE CONVENTION.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

SPRINGFIELD, January 10, 1862.

The Convention to-day has been receiving resolutions.

One from Mr. Edwards, of Sangamon, calling on the Auditor and Auditing Committee for an account of the expenses of this war, instructing the Quartermaster General and Commissary General to report the amount of war material contracted for and not yet received, and requesting the Governor to inform the Convention if the United States Government had offered to relieve the State of the task of supervising the Illinois troops and his answer thereto, was adopted.

One by Mr. Hacker, declaring it to be the sense of this Convention that the writ of habeas corpus should not at any time be suspended, created a sensation, and was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Eartley, of Gallatin, introduced a resolution declaring that this Convention had power by constitutional provision to order the General Assembly to legislate to prevent negroes entering, and also to drive out every negro now living in this State, which was lost by a large vote.

At 3 o'clock the Convention adjourned to allow the majority to go into caucus to nominate assistant officers for the Convention.

10,000 MUSKETS FOR ILLINOIS TROOPS.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

SPRINGFIELD, January 10, 1862.

The first consignment of ten thousand guns for the use of Illinois troops, has arrived at the State Arsenal here, to be followed from day to day until the whole complement for which arrangement has been made are received. This will be a welcome bit of news to our Illinois boys in the camps.

Message of Gov. Ramsay to the Minnesota Legislature.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 9.—Governor Ramsay was inducted to-day into his second term of office. His message shows a prosperous condition of the State finances. Minnesota has raised four full regiments of infantry, three companies of cavalry, and one company of artillery; in all numbering 4,400 men. A fifth regiment is forming. The State now sends to the defence of the Union a force greater than her whole population in 1850. He recommends military training in schools. In conclusion, he says all rights and the laws of war and of self preservation warrant, must be made to fall upon the crimes of the principals of this infamous rebellion, even, if necessary, to the extinction of human slavery.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—An effort will be made to establish a bureau for supplying and inspecting clothing for the army. Those functionaries absent to-day when the vote was taken to expel the Missouri Senators, would have voted for his expulsion if they had been present.

The State Department has advices that the latest fleet was in the harbor of St. Pierre, Martinique, on the 23d of December, and that the Iroquois was a league off the harbor, waiting for the Sumter's egress.

The Riots in New Foundland.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 10.—Excitement at Carbonniere is intense, and the merchants' stores were broken into last night, and arms and ammunition abstracted. Reinforcements still arriving. It is doubtful if the militia will be able to prevent a collision much longer. The steamer Osprey leaves Halifax to-day with eight batteries of Royal artillery.

New York Telegraph Office on Fire.

BUFFALO, Jan. 10.—Fire is reported on the lower floor of the telegraph building in New York city. No particulars.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The fire in the American Telegraph office injured the lower floors; loss, $1,000; wires uninjured.

Butler's Expedition Delayed.

The corps, which is composed of detachments from Washington, the Army of the Potomac Division, on board the steamer Constitution, have been disembarked.

Threatened Attack on Ramsay.

HENDERSON, Jan. 10.—It is reported that Gen. Jackson is before Ramsay with the intention of making an attack on Gen. Kelly.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

WASHING

The Tribune.

BATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1862.

WHO KILLS OUR SOLDIERS?

A learned man has defined the soldier to be, "A man who gets his living by being killed." This seems to be a very true and good definition. It was not an imperfect definition of the soldier in the times when the tools and means for taking life in war were simple, rude and inefficient, and when we see all the new weapons, implements and machines with which our modern armies are supplied, we feel still more deeply the truth that the soldier is to be killed, and that killing, and being killed are his main business and occupation.

Now cruel and savage as all this appears to us, yet our soldiers go forth to meet those dangers with willing and brave hearts, and in fact pass through the clashing of steel and fire of batteries, escape the edge of the sword, the aim of the bullet, and all the assaults and hazards of battle in comparative safety. The enemy who kills the soldier offences, whose attack is most fatal, whose treachery is most deadly, is not he who marches against him with all the improved implements of modern war, but the foe who is on his own side and in his own camp. The foe, whose mortal shot our soldier must fear the most, is not the one who is armed with minie rifle, sword, bayonet, rifled cannon, and the best improved drill; but the man to whom he looks for his food, for his clothing, for shelter, for wholesome regulations to secure health in camp and field. There are many more who fall ingloriously in camp, beneath the treacherous and fatal arts and practices of knavish contractors, cheating officials, ignorant and vicious surgeons and commanders, men who rather wear the colors of patriotism and loyalty than meet a soldier's death on the battle field.

And although so much is said everywhere of the frauds and crimes which defile and blacken the whole business of army contracts and supplies, yet we are too prone to look upon these rascalities and robberies solely as bringing loss of money, and unnecessary expense upon those who bear the burden of payment, and forget the far more important and heinous fact, that this cheating and fraud are more fatal to our soldiers, do more to weaken and destroy our forces, and more to give us defeat and the enemy victory, than all the furious assaults, fierce storming, fatal charges, and bloody struggles of actual fighting.

The soldier, when he offers his life for the defence of his country, offers it to the hazards of the battle-field, and not to the assassin stroke of his own side. The country has a right to place him where there can be no escape from steel and ball; but there is no right to give the furnishing of the supplies for his daily wants and supports into inefficient and dangerous hands; and the Government is bound by every obligation to provide that he shall be well fed, well clothed, and well cared for, in every respect. What more gross outrage, what greater crime can be imagined, than that the citizen who freely offers his life for the defense of his country, should have that life stricken down by stealthy disease, and lurking pestilence, led into his tent and ambushed around him, by the fraud and treachery of contractors and officials? To employ savages in civilized war is an outrage, though let loose against your enemies; but that is a humane and honorable practice by the side of the enormous guilt of those who by neglect or fraud expose the soldier to the inroads of disease and weakness, rob him of his defence against the keen edge of frost and cold, and bring in and arm against with poisoned arrows the whole savage band of camp fevers and diseases.

We are losing more men by sickness than by battle. An unskilful or heedless surgeon; a commander too stupid or inefficient to enforce proper sanitary regulations on the march and in the camp; the rascally contractor who gives bad bread, poor meat, clothes of shoddy and shoes of felt, filly made tents of worthless material, and other rotten, or tainted, or spoiled clothes, provisions and supplies, are each and all more terrible and fatal to our soldiers than any armed foe. These are the plague that walks in darkness and the pestilence that strikes at noon-day. For such traitors and such crimes there is no fate too terrible. No horrible doom which the traitor, the assassin, the poisoner merits, is too dreadful for them.

We trust that the Government will make signal examples of some of these prowling thieves and assassins, that the brave men who are fighting this great battle for the country may know that they shall not be struck by foul blows in the back, nor sent to their graves by the deadly thrusts of treacherous scoundrels, who are filling their coffers with money, every dollar of which is tainted with the blood of the best and bravest of the land.

CONGRESSIONAL INACTION.

The earnest men of the country hoped during the summer, when disaster everywhere attended our military endeavors, when official unwillingness to strike the rebellion was just equal to the disinclination to hurt the rebels, when the want of cordiality and unanimity in the Cabinet, and of a policy upon which the war should be conducted, were painfully apparent—it was hoped, we say, that, when Congress met, the spirit of the nation would be aroused, that a policy at once vigorous, comprehensive and thorough would be invented, that our rulers would be compelled to action, that our Generals would be pushed on to battle and to victory, and that the loyal people of the nation would be sustained in their confidence that the end of the war was approaching by the overthrow and punishment of those who provoked it. But Congress has been in session near six weeks, and we turn from a survey of the army, its leaders and its achievements—a mournful record they have made—to what Congress has done, and we are almost ready to despair of the Republic. The financial wants of the Government grow daily more and more imperative; but beyond the poor plan of adding one hundred millions of Demand Treasury Notes to an already plethoric paper circulation, nothing has been suggested. The flood of paper money—the issues of the banks that cannot, and of the Government that will not pay—threatens already to destroy all legitimate business, to produce the wildest discord in public and private finances, to cheat the country of its gold, to multiply by three the cost of the war, to plunge the country into debt for foreign luxuries, to raise the price of our great staples so that they cannot be exported—in a word, to insure bankruptcy that shall reach from the Federal Treasury down to the most retired hamlet—a bankruptcy so deplorable that twenty years cannot retrieve it, and so universal that few who do business can escape it. But Congress does nothing. It does not seem to recognize, much less realize, the nearness of the abyss and the depth into which, without its restraining legislation, the country must inevitably plunge. It is entertaining resolutions about homeopathic doctors; about sutlers and their sour pies and cheap sugar plums; about the proclamations of its generals—all well enough when the time for them is proper, but now sadly out of place—fugitive but sufficient evidences of a lack of earnestness and comprehensiveness which augur ill for the future. There is fruit such as high, patriotic exaltation, coupled with statesmanlike talents, ought in a crisis like this to produce. In all the army of names, and there are many that are respectable, we recognize but few that are a guaranty for the talent, the zeal and the self-sacrificing spirit that are demanded by the great emergency. No man utters words that thrill the nation with a deep consciousness of their necessity and truth. No man has brought forward a measure that gives an electric spark to every fibre of the body politic, carrying with it the conviction that relief has come. They have words in abundance—the gabblers never fail. But of acts there is a lack which betokens a want of comprehension or a want of courage equally ruinous to the cause. Six weeks! What might not Congress have done in that period? Another six weeks of inaction, and the necessity for earnestness will have passed. In all human probability we shall in that time, before the question of rival schools of medicine is determined, before the sutlers are legislated into the keeping of better articles and at more reasonable prices, before each man makes his speech that shall be his claim to re-election, before nepotism seeking favors of the Executive can get the brothers, cousins, sons, fathers and relations by marriage, of all Congress into office, before it is suspected even that the Republic is in danger, the men who are now wasting precious time in little nothings will gather at the Capital some day at noon to hear that the blockade is broken, that the French, English and Spanish fleets now in American seas, are acting each ship as a convoy to merchantmen of its flag, into the ports of the South, that this Government is offered the option of a war with all Europe or submission to an insult and a humiliation that can never be forgotten, and that the South, re-invigorated by commerce, enriched by sales of its three hundred thousand millions of cotton, and put on a war footing by the arms and munitions it will buy, is prepared to recommence the struggle with more vigor, fierceness and chance of success than before; this is the surprise which is preparing for Congress. This will be the result of long waiting—of that criminal inaction which disgusts and impoverishes the nation. Is it not time for Congress to arouse and go to work?

WHAT THE BULLIONISTS SAY OF THE SUSPENSION OF SPECIE PAYMENTS.

The bullionists are the prophets of the time. When everybody else saw only money in abundance already here and more coming, the "balance of trade" largely in favor of the country, the exports being large and the imports small, four months ago, they said a suspension of specie payments was inevitable because of the kiting of Government with the banks, the event being delayed only by maturing credits and the deficiency of crops in France. Later, the damage to the potato crop of Ireland tended to a further postponement of the catastrophe by augmenting the demand for breadstuffs here in preference to gold for export, but in the midst of this favorable balance of trade, the foreign exchanges have turned against us, and the banks, to save the gold in their coffers, have suspended payment. The following is what the bullionists now say of the matter:

No doctrine of political economy is better settled than the law of exchanges by material equivalents, It being impossible to retain gold in the country when, its supply being increased in relation to other commodities, its value falls below them on the average. The capital and labor invested in an ounce of gold will find its recompense and equivalent in the long run, all the world over, in the same amount of capital and labor invested in a given quantity of wheat, or of beef, or iron, or in any and every other commodity having an exchangeable value. When the supply of any one thing increases beyond the demand for it in relation to any or to all other things, the fact is soon developed by a fall in its relative value, when it seeks a better market by a law as immutable as gravitation. Gold being a commodity in universal demand, and easily transported at little cost, is more sensitive to the influence of this law than any other thing, and takes to itself wings on the slightest depreciation; meanwhile that depreciation is discoverable only in the average rise of prices of consumable things, and of the rates of foreign exchange.

We employ, to displace money, a currency of bank promises consisting of notes and book credits of no intrinsic value whatever—all a matter of kiting one debt against another—to which the General Government has recently added its own Demand Notes, all of which is absurdly called "money." It possesses only an ideal value and only one function of money, that of a medium of exchange, which is equally well performed by counterfeit notes or by any sort of worthless promises that the public, from ignorance or design, may accept as currency. All this is *debt currency*, over and above the coin in reserve against it, and no money at all, for it lacks the essential function of a material recompense and equivalent. It serves as an instrument of exchange that will transfer a value or a debt, but can never pay it. While it exists, it *promises* to pay but *pays* nothing, being in its very nature a suspension of payment.

It is not a thing of *value*, but of *price*. It serves to create prices as well as money itself, but that price it can never pay. Now this fictitious nuisance, having no true power but to run the people in debt for prices they cannot pay, and sink capital, we can employ to the same amount, and do employ, as so much money, by displacing so much money and wealth, and not otherwise. As soon as the mixed medium which this forms with money exceeds the natural specie measure, prices exceed the specie measure, our exportable products rise above the exporter's limits, which must always be determined by his foreign market and by the measure of the foreign currency; while we pay the fictitious price of our own false measure for imported goods, export so much specie for nothing, in payment of this fictitious price, and consequently lose so much capital. The money we thus throw away falls mainly into the lap of England—a nation to whom we are indebted for little but insult and approbrium, while she is more indebted to us than to any other people for her enormous wealth.

It is always possible for the useful investigator to form a near approximation to the natural specie volume of the national currency, which never can be exceeded by our mixed medium without a perturbation of the exchanges, derangement of commerce, unnatural export of specie, loss of capital, and ultimate insolvency. The admirable yearly returns at Washington of the banks of the whole country, with a knowledge of the course and condition of the foreign exchanges such as may be possessed by any intelligent merchant, furnish, with a fair judgment of the amount of specie outside of the banks, all the elements required.

Nearest to 1st January, 1861, the currency of the loyal States, counting Virginia out and Tennessee and Missouri in, consisted of the following items:

Circulating bank bills.....	$180,383,023
Deposits and circulating "deposits," because exceeding all the money in existence.....	130,174,210
Balances due by banks to banks which are the same in nature as the preceding "deposits," and ought to be included in them.....	52,792,849
Due by California bankers over and above their specie, being also miscalled "deposits," estimate.....	2,000,000
Debt currency.....	$367,451,411
Deposits in banks, specie.. $40,760,000	
Deposits and circulating in U.S. savings institutions..... 4,000,000	
Outside of banks exclusive of the above's and of hoards, estimate..... 51,700,000	
Money.....	117,540,000
Total currency of the loyal States.....	$484,991,000

We know by the favorable condition of the foreign exchanges, money being worth more here than abroad, that this volume of currency was rather less than the amount we should have possessed in real money if there had been no debt currency in the nation from January, 1861, to the present month, and it continued quite uniform from January to the middle of August, the contraction of the debt currency by failures and by voluntary set-off with the banks in the contraction of loans having been compensated by the retention of our Californian supplies of gold, and the import of specie from abroad; notwithstanding probably one-half the year's supply, say $40,000,000 has gone into hoards.

In August commenced the extraordinary kiting between the Government and the banks; since which the banks have discounted of Government debt $150,000,000. They say they have loaned the Government that sum, but the fact is they have loaned the Government as much as the Government has loaned them, which is just nothing at all, for all the specie they have paid belonged to absolute depositors, and not to the banks. The Government debits bills payable and credits the banks; and the banks debit public stocks, meaning the Government, and credit bills and accounts payable to the Government, the assets and liabilities of both parties being equally created by the one operation, both having run heavily in debt with nothing to show for it but each other's promises, assets and debt alike.

We must, however, except whatever amount of the Government loan has been taken by the people and not by "other banks." So far as the banks have acted as fiscal agents in borrowing capital of the people and lending the same to the Government without increasing their own liabilities, that is, without increasing the fictitious currency, their business is normal and right; beyond this it is sophistry and a mere cheat.

Now we know, making every allowance for the absorption of the loan by the people, outside of the banks, as well as for the sum remaining undrawn in the banks at the credit of the Government, and therefore not yet fairly in action as currency, but, on the other hand, adding the $50,000,000 of United States Demand Notes in circulation, that the volume of currency of the loyal States is something over $573,000,000 at the present time—say $415,000,000 of debt and $160,000,000 of money not in hoards, or $100,000,000 too much. We can no more hold this *one hundred millions* of debt and money together in the country, than we can keep fire and dry gun powder in contact without exploding. One of them must go out. Which shall it be? The bullionists say the debt currency; we say the debt currency; for there is not a particle of value or wealth in it. It is mere moonshine which has created prices 20 per cent. above value, on the average, and which is already curtailing the necessaries of life to many consumers, and having turned the course of exchange against us, either that currency must be contracted with a fall of prices, or we must lose $100,000,000 of solid wealth in gold. The suspension of specie payments will not save a dime of it, but only make the matter worse. Every little hoard not in the clutch of the impracticable miser, every dollar outside of the banks, and many specie dollars now within them, will find their way into the hands of the bullion dealers at what is called a premium on gold, but what is a discount on the debt currency, and the whole hundred millions will infallibly be exported and lost. Only one other measure is necessary to make it go faster, and that is a law of Congress prohibiting its exportation, a measure which some unlucky individuals who write for the newspapers, but who have never read a work upon political economy, are now urging upon the Government. It would raise an army of smugglers, as such prohibition always has done, all the world over, and make a harvest for them.

The Secession Plot Eleven Years Old.

Some startling documents have been found at Beaufort, S. C., proving the existence of an organized association to dissolve the Federal Union, formed in October, 1850. It was called the "Southern Rights Association of St. Helena Parish," and included nearly all the planters, lawyers, and influential men, among whom were the Rhetts, Barnwells, De Trevilles and other "F. F's." The records of this treasonable conclave were discovered in the office of the secretary, Charles E. Bell, a lawyer of Beaufort. The closing words of one of the resolutions adopted betrays the spirit of this whole association and the object for which they labored: "We will agitate, agitate, agitate this question, until we finally dissolve all political connection with the North, and establish a Government at the South with new guards for future security." The alleged cause of dissatisfaction was the compromise measures of 1850, which did not yield enough of Northern rights to satisfy the Southern oligarchy; but there is not a shadow of a doubt that the vipers of secession have been warmed and nursed into terrible life from eggs laid by the mulitiers of 1851, several years before the anti-slavery agitation caused the free States to the nature of their foe. The prediction of that clear-headed patriot, Andrew Jackson, that the "slavery or negro question" would be seized as the pretext for disunion, is verified by written proofs from a South Carolina law office. It is a curious fact, indicating the treacherous hearts of these secession leaders and contrivances of Democratic Administrations in their plots, that several of them have held Federal offices since they enlisted in the disunion association.

The Michigan Legislature.

It has been decided that the Michigan Legislature, now in special session, has no power to transact other business than such as is required for the public safety and embraced in the proclamation and message of the Governor. Therefore nothing will be done in the way of ordinary State legislation, and the taxes and appropriations already contemplated under the usual two years' bill, will be left untouched. The members are hard at work upon a financial and military measure, and will probably do up the work expected of them inside of two weeks. Bills are already under consideration providing for the adjustment of the national tax, for the enrollment and arming of the State; and for lake defences. It is desired that Congress shall locate forts along the shore of lakes Erie and Huron, with a naval depot in Saginaw Bay on the east, and at Grand Haven or St. Joseph on the West. Senator Riley has introduced joint resolutions recommending the passage of a law by Congress to prevent frauds upon the Government. The resolutions were of the most stringent character, strong as the English language could make them, to use Mr. Riley's own admission. They inflict the punishment of death on the gallows, for stealing from the Government, and demand the severest penalties for all sorts of peculations. They will probably pass, though perhaps in a somewhat modified form.

Indiana Democratic Platform.

The resolutions adopted as the platform of the Indiana Democracy, at the Indianapolis Convention on the 8th, are as long as your arm but not quite as muscular. They extend to the "19th and lastly," and cover the following propositions: that the Republicans have shown themselves unfit to carry on the Government, and unable to settle our national difficulties; that the restoration to power of the Democracy can alone preserve the Union and Constitution; that the Republicans are half to blame for the existence of civil war; that a war of conquest or subjugation is not to be thought of; that the proposition to liberate and arm negro slaves is unconstitutional, insulting to loyal citizens, a disgrace to the age, and calculated to retard the suppression of the rebellion; that the frauds in the Government are unparalleled; and that "a war for the maintenance of the supremacy of the Constitution and integrity of the Union we will sustain with all our energies."

The Young Lady who Acted Spy.

The young lady who acted the rebel spy at Washington, was a daughter of Dr. King, of the Soldiers' Home. For some months past, grave suspicions have been entertained in regard to certain members of the family of Dr. King. It is stated that two of his own sons by his first wife, and two of the sons of his second wife, are now serving in the Confederate army, and also that some of the lady members of his family have been engaged in communicating information to the rebel army, through a Secession family still living in Maryland, within an hour's ride of Washington. The arrest of some of the family of Dr. King led to the belief in the rumor in regard to Adjutant-General Thomas, because he, like the doctor, resided at the Soldiers' Home.

☞ William B. Culver, formerly a banker at Louisville, Ky., but now of Washington, has sued the Cincinnati *Gazette* for a $100,000 libel, in having criticised his appointment to a paymastership in the army. He lost his place in consequence of the *Gazette's* exposure, and he therefore sues for damages.

☞ The House Committee on elections have decided that John B. Butler (Rep.) is entitled to the seat from the 1st Pennsylvania District, he having a majority of thirty-six votes by the corrected returns. A minority of the Committee will report in favor of Mr. Lehman (Dem.) the sitting member.

THE ILLINOIS STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

(Special Correspondence of the Chicago Tribune.)

SPRINGFIELD, January 9.

The Convention was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Jonyn. Mr. Dwyer's memorial, contesting the seat of Judge O'Mulvey, was received and laid on the table.

Mr. Alexander arose, at the request of the Auditor, to say that the information required by Mr. Wentworth's resolution of yesterday, could only in part be obtained in that office.

Mr. Wentworth declined to receive any unofficial information from any source. An official communication had been made to the Auditor calling for information. It was the Auditor's duty to make an official reply—and to indicate from what department of the State Government, if not from his, that information should be obtained. He would receive no information that could not go on the record.

The President intimated to the gentleman that there was no motion before the Convention, and the subject dropped.

The report of the Special Committee on Rules was received, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The Report of the Special Committee as to the power of the Legislature to limit the action of the Convention, was received and read. It is important as indicating the animus of the Convention, and is as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Committee, to which was referred a resolution instituting inquiry into the limitations imposed upon the action of the Convention by the late calling it, and into the power of the Convention to contract for necessary printing, have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to make the following report:

Section 1st of Article 12 of the Constitution provides that the General Assembly shall recommend to the electors to vote for or against a Convention to alter or amend that instrument, and that if a majority of the electors shall vote for the same, then the General Assembly shall call the Convention. This is to the extent of the power given to the Legislature. Its entire power consists in the recommendation to the electors, and in the act of calling the Convention upon a contingency. The number of the delegates, the time of the election and the districts in which they shall be chosen, the time of meeting, and the qualifications of electors, are fixed in the Constitution. When the people have therefore elected delegates in accordance to the provisions of this section, and they have assembled and organized, then a peaceable revolution of the State Government, so far as it is corrected by a revision of the Constitution, has been entered upon, limited only by the Federal Constitution.

All power inherent in the great object of calling the Convention belongs to it. It is a virtual assemblage of the people of the State, sovereign within its own boundaries as to all matters affecting the happiness, prosperity, and freedom of the citizens, and supreme as to the exercise of all power necessary to the establishment of free Constitutional Government, except as restrained by the Constitution of the United States. Can the Legislature trammel the action of a body selected for the purpose of amending the very Constitution which gives being to the Legislature? If so, then the Legislature can make and unmake constitutions and can set up and overturn governments.

In the discussion of this question in the Constitutional Convention of Illinois in 1847, Judge Lagrange, one of the ablest jurists in the State, said: "An oath to support the Constitution of the United States had been proposed and taken because we can do nothing in contravention of that Constitution, *for there was no other power to limit us.* Where is the limitation of the power of the Convention over the Treasury? We have the power to create the powers and duties and salaries of officers."

If the foregoing views are correct, it follows almost necessarily, that the Convention is clothed with power to contract for and order printing of any matter it may require. It may be said that printing is not necessary, is not incident to the power to change the Constitution. In reply it is respectfully suggested that in this age printing is an absolute necessity. If our proceedings and the result of our deliberations are to be written on parchment, and filed away for safe keeping, the Convention would be a mockery. If the Constitution were not printed and published none would be made. It is therefore inferred that printing is necessary to accomplish fully the object of the Convention. Is there any restraint upon the power of the Convention in this regard, in the Constitution of the State. Section 39 of article 3 of the Constitution contains the following clause:

"The General Assembly shall provide, by law, that all printing, except the printing of the laws and journals, and all other printing, *ordered by the General Assembly*, shall be let by contract to the lowest responsible bidder."

In pursuance thereof, the Legislature in 1849, passed a law to carry out this provision of the Constitution, and directing as to the manner in which the printing ordered by the General Assembly should be let. A contract to perform such printing as may be ordered by the Convention has been made. Your Committee examined the law and the contracts, and found that they included only printing for the use of the General Assembly, and not that ordered by the Executive or other Department. The printing that may be ordered by the Convention is not by any fair and legitimate construction the law of 1849, or the contract. The Legislature has not any provision in the law calling the Convention or limiting its power in the matter? The language is, "and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to cause such printing to be do ne as the Convention shall, from time to time, require. Is there any limitation upon the power of the Convention? Is there any designation of the agent who shall superintend the printing required. It neither indicates the person who shall perform the work, nor the manner and the conditions

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THE CITY.

THE GREAT WORK OF THE AGE.

THE COMPLETION OF THE PACIFIC TELEGRAPH.

DETAILS OF ITS CONSTRUCTION.

THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATED PRESS.

When the Great Dramatist inspired the frolicsome Puck upon his diamond pen and held that most mischievous of all fairies before the world for all ages to come, boastfully proclaiming his ability to girdle the earth in forty minutes, for seeing as was his vision, and prophetic his utterances, he little thought barely two centuries would elapse before the boast should be a reality, the girdle stretched and the world encircled by a tiny wire—medium of thought and intelligence, course of a courier coeval with creation. To-day the telegraph wire stretches from New York to Chicago, onward through Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska to Salt Lake City; still onward through the primeval forests and over the rugged mountains of the Sierra Nevada to San Francisco on the Pacific slope, and to-day San Francisco and Chicago are talking, as it were, face to face.

This is but the beginning of the end. Experienced telegraph builders are now surveying the route through Oregon. Yreka, the largest town in Northern California, only twenty-five miles from Oregon, is already in the telegraph communication. The Oregon Telegraph company is already incorporated and actively at work in the preliminaries. After the Oregon line shall have been completed, it will not be very long before the line will be extended through Washington to Olympia and Port Townsend, and thence across to Victoria.

On the other side of the world, the Russians, ever alive to the incalculable benefits flowing from enterprises of this nature, have moved actively and brought to the completion of this gigantic telegraphic consummation an enterprise and practical energy for which they have never received proper credit. The magnetic wire is already stretched from St. Petersburg to Irkutsk, and they are now extending it to Nicolaefsky, at the month of the Amoor river, and securely guarding it from the ravages of the Tartar hordes who have not the civilized decency even of our own wildest Indian tribes. From this point they promise to continue it across to Sitka. As to the possibility of this there can be no reasonable doubt. Either by way of the Aleutian Islands or Behring's Straits, not more than one hundred and fifty miles of submarine wire is necessary at any one place. The distance is about thirty-five hundred miles from the mouth of the Amoor to Sitka, and thence nine hundred miles to Portland, the present headquarters of the Oregon Telegraph Company.

These links having been completed—which must not consume many years, London, St. Petersburgh, San Francisco, Chicago, and New York will have been united. The world will have been encompassed, and the prophetic vision of Shakspeare realized. Its resources, advantages and effects can no more be computed now than we could have foreseen the miracles steam was destined to accomplish, or be watched the subtle vapor escape from its prison. It must revolutionize the world more thoroughly than all the wars of Christendom. Radical changes must be effected in trade and commerce; new relations must be established between labor and capital; new civilizations must arise, characterized by new features; the cardinal distinctions which separate races, will to a large extent be obliterated; art, science, religion and the great social status of the world must see new and important changes, and the nations more closely assimilate to each other.

FROM CHICAGO TO COUNCIL BLUFFS.

We propose in this article to briefly glance at the Pacific Telegraph Line between this city and California. The first division of the line stretches from Chicago to Council Bluffs, Iowa, a distance of five hundred and nine miles, the noble and costly contribution of the Illinois and Mississippi Telegraph Company. The work was commenced at Des Moines, Iowa, on the first of November, and a large force of men built each way—towards Council Bluffs and Cedar Rapids, the distance between Des Moines and Council Bluffs being one hundred and fifty-five miles, and between Cedar Rapids and Des Moines, one hundred and thirty-five miles. To accomplish this undertaking, 7,250 poles were to be set, and 72,500 pounds of wire stretched. The shortest distance from railroad over which the wire was hauled was forty miles, the longest two hundred and forty-five miles; the shortest distance in hauling poles, five miles, the longest thirty miles. It was an inclement season of the year; the ground was frozen, rendering the operation of boring anything but an easy one. Notwithstanding these difficulties, under the admirable direction of the energetic Superintendent of the Northern division of the Illinois and Mississippi line, R. D. L. Sweet, Esq., the men worked unremittingly. The second day of the present month saw the work completed and connected with the remainder of the line, which was finished last November and continued, as our readers will remember, via the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad telegraph from Omaha to St. Louis.

Offices are established between Cedar Rapids and Council Bluffs, at intervals of from thirty to thirty-five miles. At each of these stations tools and other materials, horses and men are kept in readiness to meet any emergency. Arrangements have also been made with the stages and expresses to watch the wires carefully night and day. They are also provided with the proper tools and materials for mending the line in case of a break. Between Chicago and Cedar Rapids, the wires of the Dixon Air Line, and Chicago, Iowa and Nebraska railroads are used, which necessarily creates some delay when there is a pressure of important railroad business. This difficulty is but temporary, however, and will be soon obviated by the extension of an independent wire between these two points. To this end, the Company have laid out the work in three divisions and under competent and skilful workmen, it is rapidly being pushed forward.

When it is considered that the extension of the line through Iowa is due solely to the enterprise and public spirit of the Illinois and Mississippi Company, not a dollar having been contributed by the people of that State, although the telegraph touches many important points, and must be of incalculable benefit, a large measure of credit is due them as public benefactors, and most emphatically negatives the proverbial destitution of soul attributable to corporations. It will be the universal desire that the Company shall reap a benefit therefrom commensurate with the immense cost of construction under which they have labored.

FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS TO SALT LAKE CITY

forms the second link in the grand circuit. This was built under the auspices of the Pacific Telegraph Company—J. H. Wade, Esq., of Cleveland, Ohio, President—in Congress, which, in fact, according to the letter of contract, has the exclusive management of the entire line from Chicago to San Francisco. Omaha City is distant five miles from Council Bluffs, and on the western side of the Missouri river. The telegraph crosses the river upon masts sufficiently lofty to clear the steamboats, and so arranged that in case of a break, another can be promptly set, thus in no instance delaying the transmission of messages over half a day. This link was the first finished in the chain, the wires having reached Salt Lake City about the middle of October and some three days in advance of the California line. In the prosecution of the work the Company received valuable assistance from the Mormons, Brigham Young taking a personal interest in the undertaking, and furnishing material, laborers and guides, the latter being of invaluable assistance in pointing out the most accessible and convenient routes of transit, and in designating the best localities for obtaining timber and other necessary material. As fast as the line was completed from Omaha west, the news reports and other messages were sent from St. Louis, the Pony Express taking them at the end of the line and forwarding them. This was by the old route via Omaha and the St. Joseph & Hannibal railroad. The navigation of the aforesaid route under the lead of Clalb. Jackson, however, soon rendered the transmission by that route impracticable, and Chicago was chosen as the grand center for the through business.

FROM SALT LAKE TO SAN FRANCISCO.

The third link in the circuit was commenced at San Francisco in April last, by the California Telegraph Company, a consolidated branch of the Pacific Company, and finished in October. The line follows the Overland Mail route through an excellent country, except behind it crosses the Sierra Nevada range. Material was easily procurable and labor was abundant, so that there was little delay in the prosecution of the work. The stations are about thirteen miles apart, and are thoroughly provided with material in case of breakage, and with men to watch the lines, as operators hardly necessary, as the Indians are very friendly, and have thus far manifested no disposition to interfere with the wires. In the completion of this part of the circuit the Mormons also aided, rendering the same assistance as upon the eastern side, and giving an excellent proof of one redeeming quality at least in their miserable existence.

THE OLD METHODS.

News was first transmitted to California by the regular mail steamers. In those days of lightning, steamers are snails. The operation was a tedious one, and the news by the time it reached its destination was stale. The peculiar character and habits of the California people demanded some more rapid means of communication, and the Overland Mail was established, carrying letters in eighteen days and newspapers in thirty-five days. Newspapers were as much in demand as letters, and the Overland Mail proved a slow coach. Then came the Pony Express, forwarding the news through in ten days, and the people of California thought they had reached the maximum of speed. Great ovations and celebrations took place upon the arrival of the first pony and its rider, but the rider could only carry small packages, and the pony soon became crabbike in his movements, and the people became dissatisfied. Then came the telegraph, annihilating space, with a margin of three hours in favor of the Californians, and they were satisfied. They could sit at their breakfast tables away there on the Pacific and read the President's Message at the same hour as their Atlantic friends, three thousand or more miles distant.

THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATED PRESS.

The first of the California papers to avail itself of these telegraphic privileges was the Sacramento *Union*, the leading paper of that State, and Mr. Bell, identified with the *Union* was the Agent. Subsequently the *Alta Californian* and the *Evening Bulletin*, both published in San Francisco were admitted to these privileges and formed with the *Union*, as they do now, the Associated Press of California holding the telegraph monopoly although we are informed they propose admitting other papers to a share. In April last, Mr. E. H. E. Jameson, of the Sacramento *Union*, was appointed Agent and removed to St. Louis, then to Quincy, and is now, as our readers know, located in this city. Mr. Jamieson sends reports at twelve o'clock M. for the afternoon editions, and at the usual night hours for the morning editions. Besides supplying the California papers the news is also sold to the papers at Council Bluffs, Omaha and Salt Lake City, for the Mormons, not to be behind the times, publish an enterprising paper devoted to politics, polygamy, and Brigham Young. As an instance of the success of the Telegraph, it may be stated that the President's Message which was delivered on Tuesday, was transmitted from Quincy, and appeared in the Wednesday morning California papers—allowing for the difference in time—three hours in advance of our own papers. It only cost *six hundred dollars*.

HOW THE CALIFORNIA PAPERS ARE MADE UP.

The way in which the California papers, more especially the Sacramento *Union*—are made up, is novel. Thirty-five days and often a longer time are consumed in the transaction of newspapers by the Overland Mail, and eighteen days for letters. Exchanges, therefore are of little value. The difficulty is obviated thus: Mr. Jameson subscribes for all the leading papers of the country. From these he selects the more important editorials, interesting correspondence, casualties and the current news. These are compiled and classified, pasted upon very thin paper and so arranged as to include a large amount of matter in a very small space. They are then enclosed in envelopes and in this manner are sent as letters thereby arriving seventeen days sooner than newspapers could. In addition to these he writes a regular correspondence, giving his own impressions and views.

THE BUSINESS OF THE LINE.

Owing to the high tariff at present existing, about six hundred words are sent daily, a reduction of about one half from the full reports and even at this reduction subjecting the California papers to the handsome monthly bill of $5,000. The present tariff of prices for news reports is as follows:

For first 10 words	$4 25 per word.
" 90	25
" 400	34
" 500	38
Over 1000	18

As soon as the line is in complete working order undoubtedly such a reduction will be made in the tariff as will enable the California papers to obtain full reports. The individual business of the line is already very large and prosperous but by no means up to its practicabilities. The project however has made a splendid opening and that the Pacific Telegraph will ultimately prove a success does not admit of a reasonable doubt.

FIFTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT "NATIONAL GUARDS."—Col. Silas D. Baldwin.—Many of the numerous military and civic friends of Col. S. D. Baldwin were deeply gratified at the following incident yesterday at Camp Douglas:

At dress parade, which reported a thousand rank and file, just as the officers had marched to the front and centre, Chaplain Collins, of the 57th, dashed up between them and the commander, Col. Baldwin, on a magnificent bright, bay Morgan steed, purchased at $350, and presented him to the Colonel on behalf of the officers of the 57th, in a few remarks expressing their confidence in him as an officer, and respect as a man.

Col. Baldwin was touched at this unexpected expression, and replied as follows:

"*Officers of the Fifty-Seventh*—I am at a loss for words to express to you my gratitude for your expressions of confidence through our Chaplain, and for this beautiful and noble animal which I proudly call mine. I feel that I would be unworthy of it if I should ever swerve from the path of duty. I accept it at this time—knowing the great expense each of you have been to in swelling this command. But I express to you my profound thanks, and now pledge you that he shall bear me wherever you dare follow, and I hope God may give me strength and wisdom to lead you into battle after battle, until our integrity shall be proved."

At the conclusion of this speech the line and the spectators gave three hearty cheers for Col. Baldwin.

ARRESTED FOR STEALING CLIFTON BANK NOTES.—Some time since a firm called Chadwick & Co., established an agency here to redeem the notes of the Clifton Bank, Clifton, Canada, an institution in rather bad odor. After their establishment in this city, they employed one W. J. Whiting to go out in the country and buy live stock, and entrusted to him $1,500 in "Clifton," with which to make purchases. The agent contracted for the cattle, but when he came to settle up, the drovers in those parts not relishing "Clifton," drove the agent out of town. The agent in turn, having imbibed a low opinion of "Clifton," neglected to return it to Chadwick & Co. The consequence was his arrest and commitment for trial upon the charge of larceny.

CIRCUIT COURT.—The Grand Jury of this Court have found a bill for murder against Peter Murray, the soldier who killed O'Neil lately in the southern part of the city. Attachments have been sent to Camp Douglas for the witnesses and the case will probably come to trial on Monday next.

The Grand Jury also found a bill in the case of Patrick Tearney, charged with attempting to commit a rape upon the person of his wife's child, Ann Maria Tearney, a little girl only eight years of age; also several bills for petty larcenies and assaults of various descriptions.

ANOTHER PRIZE FIGHT.—McGlade and Burdigo, the principals in the late prize fight at Wright Station, are vigorously preparing for a second encounter, the purse being $1,200. The former it seems is not satisfied with the defeat he received on that occasion and persistently insists that he is the best man of the two, which in P. R. parlance means that he can bruise and batter the other into a senseless and shapeless mass in the quickest time for sufficient money.

SKATING CARNIVAL.—The Carnival which was to have occurred at the Ogden Skating Park on Wednesday last will come off this evening, weather permitting. It is intended to make it the feature of the season. The Light Guard Band will be in attendance and the Park will be splendidly illuminated with hundreds and Greek fires. The managers of the Ogden Skating Park know how to get up a good time and this will be one of their choicest efforts.

ANOTHER FIGHT.—Mr. Schlager, a German editor of this city, and Mr. Breming, a deputy sheriff, had a personal rencontre last night at a dance in the West Market Hall, in which the editor came off second best. Little damage was done on either side. Knock downs seem to be the order of the day.

THE HYDE PARK TRAGEDY

153rd Day of the Inquest.

RAILROAD RULES AND REGULATIONS

THE DETAILS OF THE COLLISION.

The Superintendent of the Illinois Central and the General Agent of the Michigan Central Railroad on the Stand.

We publish below the evidence developed in the investigation of the Hyde Park tragedy. It is by far the most important yet taken, and especially important as embracing the statements of W. R. Arthur, Esq., Superintendent of the Illinois Central, and H. E. Sargent, Esq., General Agent of the Michigan Central Railroad.

The taking of testimony commenced at nine o'clock yesterday forenoon, and proceeded as follows:

TESTIMONY OF ROBERT H. MIDDLETON.

I live at Hyde park; am about sixteen years old; my home is about half a mile west of the spot where the accident occurred on Wednesday; was on the track when the Cincinnati train came along; the school house is one-eighth mile west of the road track; saw the Hyde Park train pass the road and almost too soon, as I thought, saw the Cincinnati train coast; the latter whistled almost in front of the school house; I was close to the window, and I then looked to see the Hyde Park Train, but it was gone; thought the former must be the latter; I beheld some passengers jump off the rear part of the car, and at that time the Cincinnati train was pretty close upon them, and was running still quite fast, but stopped all of a sudden; Hyde Park train moved on a little, and passed so quickly, I thought it must have been struck; a few minutes afterwards a man came past, and I asked him what was the matter; said he was going after help, and that one man had been killed.

To a Juror.—The train was a little north of the schoolhouse when the first whistle sounded.

To Mr. Horner.—The schoolhouse is a quarter of a mile north of the south point of the curve, and directly west of the track, on Washington street—west side. Have noticed the speed of the Michigan Central train before, and this train was going much faster than usual; the noise made by it first attracted my attention.

To a Juror.—I went to Kenwood Station after I had made the first remark. The nearest street crossing is half a mile from Kenwood Station; can see the sign-board over the Lazard street crossing from the schoolhouse. It was about 8 o'clock A. M. when the Cincinnati train passed the school house that I was making the first remark.

SR. COOK (MICH. CENTRAL CONDUCTOR) RECALLED.

The boy acting as brakesman had the privilege of selling books, apples and cakes on the train; I think he was 19 years old; and was the same regular brakesman we had aboard; the baggageman and myself also deem it a part of our duty to man the brakes.

To Mr. Horner.—I think the brakesman was sufficiently strong for the purpose.

TESTIMONY OF A CINCINNATI PASSENGERMAN OF THE CINCINNATI TRAIN.

I live at Indianapolis and Chicago, my family being at Joliet; was baggageman of the Cincinnati train on Wednesday morning; my car was the last train are to see to baggage and attend brakes. There were four cars, a baggage car, and an engine; baggage car, first; then a passenger car, then a sleeping car, and then a passenger car. I did not see the Hyde Park train until after the collision; I was standing up a little forward of the center of the baggage car when I heard the signal to put brakes down; I turned off the brake on the passenger coach I did not have time to wind up close; the second whistle sounded as I was in the act of breaking up; I noticed that when the train was when the first whistle sounded; it was not more than ten minutes between the sounding of the first whistle and the collision and the shock; cannot say exactly how fast our train was running at the time, but should say twenty miles an hour; at the rate of twenty miles an hour can about half a mile in those two minutes. Q.—Will the reverse lever of the engine be sufficient to a stand within that half mile? A.—I do not consume that we can half a mile—but the only reason I can give is that I am aware that the engineer has his brakes to hold, as well as the slipping of the driving wheels.

I cannot say whether brakes were applied to the saddle coaches, as I was not upon them. Q. Had the brakes been applied to these coaches would it have lessened the speed of the train when it struck? A. It would. Q. Was it, in your opinion, necessary, under the circumstances, that the brakes on these coaches should have been applied. A. Under that occasion it was, and more, if we had had them. Q. Was it your duty to see that the brakes there was no one to apply them. Q. How many were there on that train when duty required them to serve the brakes? A.—Two regular brakesmen and the baggageman. Q.—How many could they properly apply in such an emergency? A.—Not more than three. Q.—Were they all there when required to apply these brakes? A.—Wherever we were when the whistle blew, but a brake holds more at the rear of the train. Q.—Was the train of cars which you were in made up in the usual manner? A.—Yes, sir. Q. What was the cause of the collision in your opinion, on the hypothesis that you were running 20 miles an hour and half a mile distant from the place of collision, and applied the brakes with all the train? A. I think if we had had signals that we might have stopped. Q.—If the reverse was, or did it stop; had not force enough to stop the train I prove by me why we did not stop; to bring it down faster. I think the train could have been made able to stop. Q. In that case was not there a greater necessity for applying the brakes? A. Very likely there was. Q. Was the failure of applying of a train over a track tend to remove the fault? A. It does. It breaks. It and throws it off. Q.—Do you know, of your own knowledge, that there was any ice upon the track sufficient to cause the train any such impediment to controlling the train by those upon the train that morning? A.—Yes, sir; it was rainy and there had been rain the day on the track in several places. Q.—Where? A.—At Gibson and Calumet. Q.—Had a train passed over the track before you saw ice, previous to the collision? A.—There had; it was the Detroit mail train; at Gibson there had been passed; at Calumet there had been. Do you say you know that there was no track between the curve and Kenwood station? A.—No, sir; only that I did not see it. Q.—Are you attempted to apply the brakes, that leads you to believe there was ice on the track at the time? A.—There was. Q.—Where, on the road? A.—Both. There was nothing else that I recollect. I can tell when breaking a train when there is ice on a track. I think the train I was in when the train ran so far before stopping. Q. What is the next best way of accounting for the collision, knowing you were in sight of an obstacle on the track? A. I do not know as I can answer it any better than I have, that I can only say I had not seen the train, and it, considering the state of the track. Q. Had you had all the power you needed could you have stopped it short of a half mile? A. We could, and perhaps in a quarter of a mile.

To the former.—Have been a baggage-master for a few months. A reference to the time table inside the car I can sometimes tell how fast the train is running; I could not tell positively that at the time we were running 20 miles an hour; at that rate we could stop in half a mile. Q.—Were you aware that there was danger in such a train must be running at 35 or 40 miles an hour.

To a Juryman.—Can generally tell the speed of a train; think we were running about that rate an hour when we struck the Hyde Park train; might have run 20 rods further had we not collided. Q. How fast must a train, of the size and weight of yours, be running, that it could not be stopped, with three brakes all applied, in three fourths of a mile? A. I should think it might be at 40 miles an hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TESTIMONY OF W. R. ARTHUR, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL ROAD.

Live in Chicago; am Superintendent of the Illinois Central Road; have been civil engineer about twenty-two years. I know nothing regarding the collision, except having seen the wreck after it had happened. The Illinois Central Railroad Company own the track between Chicago and Calumet, as well as the balance of the road; I, as Superintendent, control the movements of all trains running through. The Michigan Central Railroad Company runs its trains between Calumet and Chicago under a contract for that purpose, subject to such police regulations as may be ordered by the Superintendent of the Illinois Central Railroad. For the purpose of governing the employees of the Illinois Central Road, and regulating the movements of trains thereon, we have a general time card and rules and regulations connected therewith. For the government of trains and employees on all parts of the line south of Calumet to Cairo, and from thence to Dunleith, in addition to this general card, we have a joint time card, applying to all parts of the road between Calumet and Chicago, governing the movements of all trains and men connected therewith while thereon, belonging to whatever road they may. The employees of the Michigan Central have not as much subject to time rules as those of the Illinois Central. The time card No. 12c is the one that has been in force since the 6th of December, 1861, at 12 o'clock noon. There are imperfections of machinery and accidents incident to all things human, the figures upon the face of the time card would be all right. We would be ready for the movement of trains on any railway. But for the purpose of this case, special rules are necessary to govern employees when trains shall have failed to come up to the general rules laid down for their movements. Rule 15 refers to two trains that collided on Wednesday morning, my opinion as to their relative rights, was that the Hyde Park train was in a position to be permitted or authorized, by this time card, and that the Cincinnati express was at that time there in violation of the rules of this time card. Rule 15 prescribes, viz: Rule 8th requires all regular trains going to Chicago when fifteen minutes or more behind time to run around the curve at the Five Mile Side Track with great care. The curve of the track at that point bears nearly to the east, meaning just south of Kenwood and extending some distance south of Hyde Park. By great care is meant that the train be stopped. I understand that those in charge of a train will run it at such speed that they can stop it in such a distance as they are able to see from the engine or tender. If a train at Kenwood station can be seen, of a clear day, or such a morning as that of the accident, for a distance of one-half mile, that would be a point 2,640 or 3,000 feet south. A train moving at such speed as caution would require of a train three-quarters of an hour behind time, can be stopped by the usual number of brakemen on it. On a curve, of the size of the Five Mile Five Mile Side Track, which has a radius of 5,730 feet, I would consider a delayed train to move with caution, when it did not exceed the rate of fifty per hour, for the reason that you can see a train on a straight track for a greater distance than on a curve, and that, at that point, at 1,500 feet, the proper means being applied to a train running at the rate of twenty miles an hour, would enable the train to be speed entirely safe when you can see 1,500 feet in advance. The reasons why the Hyde Park train was not required to be where, viz: Rule 15 is not in this time card it has no restrictions limiting its movements, except the figures upon the face of the card. My duty is that when the Hyde Park train is a positive rule requiring all other trains to look out for it and be governed by it. The rule is as follows: "Look out for Hyde Park train at all points between Sixth street, near Southern Railroad crossing, and Kenwood Station."

At and from Calumet, trains going north will have the right of road, according to the numbers on their cards, the inferior number having the right of way. Trains following on close time will keep a good look out for the preceding train. It does not follow that because a train is on the track 15 minutes that it does not reach Calumet by seven minutes. This does not apply to any trains off of time. The object of the time card is to regulate the arrive at the Calumet, on the Illinois Central railroad, at the time specified, by the time card. Rule 1st, then the highest class train is given the precedence and so on numbered. In this time card trains No. 1 and No. 3 should have Calumet at the same time, but should have Calumet at the same time, but should not. And by the above rule the rights of those trains are first to Hyde Park, which governs despatcher at Calumet. I as Superintendent, of these trains, when 15 minutes or more behind time will run with caution between Calumet and Chicago, because I realize harm liberty to proceed towards Chicago after such time (15 minutes) if the passenger trains are not in sight. I provided in this way for attendants. I would say further that a train behind time should not send a flag ahead. I would consider that unsafe to give such permissive orders as the engineer and the conductor on a train. A train behind time both in a federal train. In running on the Illinois Central railroad the conductor and engineer of the leading train are instructed to send a flagman back to protect their rear. Rule 12 requires that when a train is stopped by any cause it shall be protected by the flagman sent back with danger signals, and when recalled by the engineer and conductor, he shall return to his train. I should think that a train should be protected by a flagman when it was behind time. I would not consider it safe to send a flagman ahead to flag a train behind time. I would not consider it safe to send a flagman ahead to flag a train behind time